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Central District of California
Los Angeles
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Courtroom 1539 Calendar**

Tuesday, September 5, 2023

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Courtroom Deputy:

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Tentative Ruling:

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#1.00 Notice of motion and motion for relief from the automatic stay with supporting declarations PERSONAL PROPERTY RE: **2019 BMW K1600GT; VIN: WB10F5303KZG18161**

MOVANT: BMW Bank of North America

Docket 11

Courtroom Deputy:

- NONE LISTED -

Tentative Ruling:

Grant with waiver of Rule 4001(a)(3).

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Nora Banu Henderson

Pro Se

Movant(s):

BMW Bank of North America

Represented By
Cheryl A Skigin

Trustee(s):

Rosendo Gonzalez (TR)

Pro Se

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Adv#: 2:20-01073 Willard v. Lockhart-Johnson et al

#200.00 Motion to Extend Discovery Cutoff

Docket 162

Courtroom Deputy:

- NONE LISTED -

Tentative Ruling:

Grant motion. Extend discovery cutoff through September 30, 2023.

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Sherrie Nicole Lockhart-Johnson

Represented By
Michael Okayo

Defendant(s):

Sherrie Nicole Lockhart-Johnson

Pro Se

Steve Todd Johnson

Pro Se

Movant(s):

Sharlene Willard

Pro Se

Plaintiff(s):

Sharlene Willard

Pro Se

Trustee(s):

Sam S Leslie (TR)

Pro Se

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#201.00 Motion to Compel Responses and Request for Production of Documents and Monetary Sanction

Docket 165

Courtroom Deputy:

- NONE LISTED -

Tentative Ruling:

Grant motion. Enter order compelling plaintiff to respond to movant's discovery requests by date certain. (Go over with parties what has been requested and include specific directions in order entered in response to motion to avoid confusion and ambiguity.)

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Sherrie Nicole Lockhart-Johnson

Represented By
Michael Okayo

Defendant(s):

Sherrie Nicole Lockhart-Johnson

Pro Se

Steve Todd Johnson

Pro Se

Movant(s):

Steve Todd Johnson

Pro Se

Plaintiff(s):

Sharlene Willard

Pro Se

Trustee(s):

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Adv#: 2:20-01073 Willard v. Lockhart-Johnson et al

#202.00 Status Conference re: Notice of Appeal on BAP Number: CC 20-1161 - Ruling:
Vacated and Remanded back to the Bankruptcy Court

fr. 9-28-21, 2-15-22; 3-15-22; 6-21-22; 9-13-22; 12-13-22; 3-14-23; 4-11-23;
6-13-23

Docket 43

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Tentative Ruling:

Tentative Ruling from September 28, 2022:

BAP agreed that plaintiff failed to state a claim but reversed and remanded as to this court's decision to deny leave to amend. BAP did a better job than this court of divining what plaintiff was trying to say in her complaint. BAP believes that complaint might possibly be saved by an amendment alleging sufficient facts to support a claim that the obligation is a community obligation, that it would be excepted from the discharge in a hypothetical bankruptcy case commenced by the nondebtor spouse and that the community property discharge provisions of 523(a)(4) should not apply.

Enter new order granting motion to dismiss that grants leave to amend and sets deadline for filing and responding to amended complaint.

9/29/21 -- Court entered order granting motion to dismiss with leave to amend and setting following dates:

L/D to file amended complaint -- December 31, 2021

L/D to file and serve response to complaint -- January 25, 2021

Cont'd status conference -- February 15, 2021 at 2:00 pm.

Parties are directed to mediate this dispute before Sevan Gorgonian on a pro

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10/12/21 -- Court entered order appointing Gorgonian as mediator.

Tentative Ruling for February 15, 2022:

Set deadline for completion of discovery of approximately 90 to 120 days.
Set continued status conference for approximately same time frame. (NOTE:
This is a core matter. The court has jurisdiction to enter final orders, with or
without the plaintiff's consent.)

Tentative Ruling for March 15, 2022:

Set discovery cutoff and deadline for filing pretrial motions. Set final status
conference for approximately same time frame.

3/17/22 -- Court approved scheduling order with following dates:

Discovery cutoff -- June 30, 2022
L/D to file joint status report -- June 7, 2022
Cont'd status conference -- June 21, 2022 at 2:00 p.m.

Tentative Ruling for June 21, 2022:

Revisit status after hearing on motion to dismiss. Set deadline for movant to
file answer to complaint. Do parties need to conduct discovery? Hearing
required.

Tentative Ruling for September 13, 2022:

LBR require parties to file JOINT status report two weeks prior to each status
conference. Court received separate status reports signed by the
defendants, but nothing from plaintiff. Court will issue OSC re failure to
prosecute if plaintiff fails to participate in preparation of joint status reports.
(There is an attachment to the status report form that can be used when there
is more than one defendant.)

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Defendant Steve Todd Johnson in the answer that he filed said that he does not consent to this court's entry of final judgments in the action. In his status report form, he has consented, but consent to the entry of final orders in this action is not required. This is a core proceeding under section 523 with regard to which this court has authority to enter final orders with or without the consent of the parties.

The plaintiff filed a reponse to Steve's answer to complaint. The answer does not include a counterclaim. Thus, a response is not required or permitted. The filing is a nullity.

Discovery requests and responses do not need to be filed with the Court. If and when this matter goes to trial, the court will establish procedures for submitting evidence to the court.

Set discovery cutoff for late December and final status conference for approximately same time frame.

9/14/22 -- Court set (new) discovery cutoff for December 16, 2022.

Tentative Ruling for December 13, 2022:

Impose sanctions of \$150 each on parties for failure to file a joint status report as required by court's local rules and this Court's September 14, 2022 scheduling order. What is the status of this matter? What progress has been made since the last status conference? Are parties on track to complete their discovery by December 16, 2022? If not, why not? Hearing required.

UPDATE -- Parties filed status report belatedly on December 2, 2022. Parties should be aware that attendance at status conferences is insufficient. There need not be a "formal" meet and confer. Steve Johnson must participate in informal meet and confer sessions or court will strike his answer to complaint and permit plaintiff to proceed by way of default. There is an addendum/attachment for the status report that should be used when there are more than two parties.

Why are defendants sending threatening or harrassing emails?

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Have any formal discovery requests been served? If not, why not? Parties need to move this matter forward toward trial or court will simply set trial date whether parties consider themselves ready or not.

12/14/22 -- Court approved scheduling order with following dates:

Discovery cutoff extended to January 24, 2023

L/D to file pretrial motions -- January 31, 2023

Cont'd status conference -- March 14, 2023 at 2

L/D to file updated status report -- February 28, 2023

2/23/23 -- Court granted plaintiff's request for an extension of deadline to oppose motion for summary judgment. Court continued hearing to April 11, 2023 at 2:00 p.m. Continue status conference to date of continued hearing on summary judgment motion -- April 11, 2023 at 2:00 p.m. OFF CALENDAR FOR MARCH 14, 2023.

Tentative Ruling for April 11, 2023:

It appears that the parties are continuing to conduct discovery and file motions after the deadlines established by the Court for this purpose. Set date for evidentiary hearing on Nondischargeability Issues. It does not appear that they need any additional time to conduct discovery on these issues.

Final Ruling for April 11, 2023:

Extend discovery cutoff to June 12, 2023. Continue status conference to June 13, 2023 at 2:00 p.m. Parties must file joint status report by May 30, 2023. Court will prepare scheduling order. (Court entered scheduling order on April 11, 2023.)

Tentative Ruling for June 13, 2023:

Where is the joint status report that should have been filed by May 30, 2023? (Plaintiff filed unilateral report on June 5, 2023.) Have the parties now completed discovery with regard to the issue of nondischargeability (with the

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exception of the deposition noted on plaintiff's status report)? Schedule pretrial conference for August, 2023 and explain pretrial procedures to parties.

Tentative Ruling for September 5, 2023:

(With regard to liability issue) set deadline for filing pretrial motions, pretrial conference and deadline for lodging joint pretrial order.

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Sherrie Nicole Lockhart-Johnson

Represented By
Michael Okayo

Defendant(s):

Sherrie Nicole Lockhart-Johnson

Pro Se

Steve Todd Johnson

Pro Se

Plaintiff(s):

Sharlene Willard

Pro Se

Trustee(s):

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Pro Se

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Chapter 7

Adv#: 2:23-01321 Howard M. Ehrenberg, solely in his capacity as Cha v. American Express

#203.00 Status Conference re: 13 (Recovery of money/property - 548 fraudulent transfer)
Complaint by Howard M. Ehrenberg, solely in his capacity as Chapter 7 Trustee
against American Express National Bank, a Utah corporation.

Docket 1

Courtroom Deputy:

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Tentative Ruling:

Summons and complaint have not been served. Instruct plaintiff to obtain replacement summons and serve it in a timely manner. If plaintiff does not want defendant to have to answer complaint at this time in an effort to facilitate settlement negotiations, parties should stipulate to a sizeable extension of time for defendant to respond to complaint.

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Patterson Builders, Inc.

Represented By
M. Jonathan Hayes
Matthew D. Resnik

Defendant(s):

American Express National Bank, a

Pro Se

Plaintiff(s):

Howard M. Ehrenberg, solely in his

Represented By
Steve Burnell
Asa S Hami

Trustee(s):

Howard M Ehrenberg (TR)

Represented By
Jeffrey L Sumpter

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Chapter 7

Adv#: 2:23-01322 Howard M. Ehrenberg, solely in his capacity as Cha v. CYK Construction

#204.00 Status Conference re: 12 (Recovery of money/property - 547 preference)
Complaint by Howard M. Ehrenberg, solely in his capacity as Chapter 7 Trustee
against CYK Construction Inc. a California corporation, Touching Dreams
Construction, Inc.

Docket 1

Courtroom Deputy:

- NONE LISTED -

Tentative Ruling:

Set deadline for plaintiff to file request for entry of default and motion for entry of default judgment. Continue status conference to coincide with hearing on default judgment motion.

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Patterson Builders, Inc.

Represented By
M. Jonathan Hayes
Matthew D. Resnik

Defendant(s):

CYK Construction Inc. a California

Pro Se

Touching Dreams Construction, Inc.

Pro Se

Plaintiff(s):

Howard M. Ehrenberg, solely in his

Represented By
Steve Burnell
Asa S Hami

Trustee(s):

Howard M Ehrenberg (TR)

Represented By
Jeffrey L Sumpter
Elissa Miller

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Chapter 7

Adv#: 2:23-01323 Howard M. Ehrenberg, solely in his capacity as Cha v. Design Masonry Inc.,

#205.00 Status Conference re: 12 (Recovery of money/property - 547 preference)
Complaint by Howard M. Ehrenberg, solely in his capacity as Chapter 7 Trustee
against Design Masonry Inc., a California corporation

Docket 1

Courtroom Deputy:

- NONE LISTED -

Tentative Ruling:

Summons and complaint have not been served. Instruct plaintiff to obtain replacement summons and serve it in a timely manner. If plaintiff does not want defendant to have to answer complaint at this time in an effort to facilitate settlement negotiations, parties should stipulate to a sizeable extension of time for defendant to respond to complaint.

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Patterson Builders, Inc.

Represented By
M. Jonathan Hayes
Matthew D. Resnik

Defendant(s):

Design Masonry Inc., a California

Pro Se

Plaintiff(s):

Howard M. Ehrenberg, solely in his

Represented By
Steve Burnell
Asa S Hami

Trustee(s):

Howard M Ehrenberg (TR)

Represented By
Jeffrey L Sumpter

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Elissa Miller
Steve Burnell

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Adv#: 2:23-01324 Howard M. Ehrenberg, solely in his capacity as Cha v. Carlson Plastering,

#206.00 Status Conference re: 12 (Recovery of money/property - 547 Complaint by Howard M. Ehrenberg, solely in his capacity as Chapter 7 Trustee against Carlson Plastering, Inc. a California corporation, Carlson Lath & Plaster, Inc., a California corporation.

Docket 1

Courtroom Deputy:

8/11/23 - Jury Demand by Defendant

Tentative Ruling:

Why doesn't the defendant want this matter sent to mediation? Hearing required.

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Patterson Builders, Inc.

Represented By
M. Jonathan Hayes
Matthew D. Resnik

Defendant(s):

Carlson Plastering, Inc. a California

Pro Se

Carlson Lath & Plaster, Inc., a

Pro Se

Plaintiff(s):

Howard M. Ehrenberg, solely in his

Represented By
Steve Burnell
Asa S Hami

Trustee(s):

Howard M Ehrenberg (TR)

Represented By
Jeffrey L Sumpter
Elissa Miller

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Adv#: 2:23-01325 Howard M. Ehrenberg, solely in his capacity as Cha v. On Point Plumbing

#207.00 Status Conference re: 12 (Recovery of money/property - 547 preference)
Complaint by Howard M. Ehrenberg, solely in his capacity as Chapter 7 Trustee
against On Point Plumbing Systems Inc., a California corporation.

Docket 1

Courtroom Deputy:

- NONE LISTED -

Tentative Ruling:

Explain to plaintiff the significance of not filing status reports in a timely manner.

Set deadline for plaintiff to file request for entry of default and motion for entry of default judgment. Continue status conference to coincide with hearing on default judgment motion.

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Patterson Builders, Inc.

Represented By
M. Jonathan Hayes
Matthew D. Resnik

Defendant(s):

On Point Plumbing Systems Inc., a

Pro Se

Plaintiff(s):

Howard M. Ehrenberg, solely in his

Represented By
Steve Burnell
Asa S Hami

Trustee(s):

Howard M Ehrenberg (TR)

Represented By
Jeffrey L Sumpter
Elissa Miller

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Chapter 7

Adv#: 2:23-01326 Howard M. Ehrenberg, solely in his capacity as Cha v. Pena Grading &

#208.00 Status Conference re: 12 (Recovery of money/property - 547 preference)
Complaint by Howard M. Ehrenberg, solely in his capacity as Chapter 7 Trustee
against Pena Grading & Demolition, Inc.

Docket 1

Courtroom Deputy:

- NONE LISTED -

Tentative Ruling:

Continue status conference approximately 90 days to permit parties to document and seek approval of their settlement agreement. What is the structure of the anticipated settlement?

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Patterson Builders, Inc.

Represented By
M. Jonathan Hayes
Matthew D. Resnik

Defendant(s):

Pena Grading & Demolition, Inc.

Pro Se

Plaintiff(s):

Howard M. Ehrenberg, solely in his

Represented By
Steve Burnell
Asa S Hami

Trustee(s):

Howard M Ehrenberg (TR)

Represented By
Jeffrey L Sumpter
Elissa Miller
Steve Burnell

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Adv#: 2:23-01327 Howard M. Ehrenberg, solely in his capacity as Cha v. R-3 Contractors, Inc.,

#209.00 Status Conference re: 12 (Recovery of money/property - 547 preference)
Complaint by Howard M. Ehrenberg, solely in his capacity as Chapter 7 Trustee
against R-3 Contractors, Inc., a California corporation.

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8/11/23 - Jury Demand by Defendant

Tentative Ruling:

Why doesn't the defendant want this matter sent to mediation? Hearing
required.

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Patterson Builders, Inc.

Represented By
M. Jonathan Hayes
Matthew D. Resnik

Defendant(s):

R-3 Contractors, Inc., a California

Pro Se

Plaintiff(s):

Howard M. Ehrenberg, solely in his

Represented By
Steve Burnell
Asa S Hami

Trustee(s):

Howard M Ehrenberg (TR)

Represented By
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Adv#: 2:23-01328 Howard M. Ehrenberg, solely in his capacity as Cha v. SDC Millworks, Inc.,

#210.00 Status Conference re: 12 (Recovery of money/property - 547 preference))
Complaint by Howard M. Ehrenberg, solely in his capacity as Chapter 7 Trustee
against SDC Millworks, Inc., a California corporation.

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- NONE LISTED -

Tentative Ruling:

Set deadline for plaintiff to file request for entry of default and motion for entry of default judgment. Continue status conference to coincide with hearing on default judgment motion.

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Patterson Builders, Inc.

Represented By
M. Jonathan Hayes
Matthew D. Resnik

Defendant(s):

SDC Millworks, Inc., a California

Pro Se

Plaintiff(s):

Howard M. Ehrenberg, solely in his

Represented By
Steve Burnell
Asa S Hami

Trustee(s):

Howard M Ehrenberg (TR)

Represented By
Jeffrey L Sumpter
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Adv#: 2:23-01329 Howard M. Ehrenberg, solely in his capacity as Cha v. Showtime

#211.00 Status Conference re: 12 (Recovery of money/property - 547 preference)
Complaint by Howard M. Ehrenberg, solely in his capacity as Chapter 7 Trustee
against Showtime Construction, a California corporation.

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Tentative Ruling:

Set deadline for plaintiff to file request for entry of default and motion for entry of default judgment. Continue status conference to coincide with hearing on default judgment motion.

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Patterson Builders, Inc.

Represented By
M. Jonathan Hayes
Matthew D. Resnik

Defendant(s):

Showtime Construction, a California

Pro Se

Plaintiff(s):

Howard M. Ehrenberg, solely in his

Represented By
Steve Burnell
Asa S Hami

Trustee(s):

Howard M Ehrenberg (TR)

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Adv#: 2:23-01330 Howard M. Ehrenberg, solely in his capacity as Cha v. Structural Steel

#212.00 Status Conference re: 12 (Recovery of money/property - 547 preference))
Complaint by Howard M. Ehrenberg, solely in his capacity as Chapter 7 Trustee
against Structural Steel Fabricators, Inc., a California corporation.

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Tentative Ruling:

Set deadline for plaintiff to file request for entry of default and motion for entry of default judgment. Continue status conference to coincide with hearing on default judgment motion.

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Patterson Builders, Inc.

Represented By
M. Jonathan Hayes
Matthew D. Resnik

Defendant(s):

Structural Steel Fabricators, Inc., a

Pro Se

Plaintiff(s):

Howard M. Ehrenberg, solely in his

Represented By
Steve Burnell
Asa S Hami

Trustee(s):

Howard M Ehrenberg (TR)

Represented By
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Adv#: 2:23-01331 Howard M. Ehrenberg, solely in his capacity as Cha v. Sierra Insulation

#213.00 Status Conference re: 12 (Recovery of money/property - 547 preference)
Complaint by Howard M. Ehrenberg, solely in his capacity as Chapter 7 Trustee
against Sierra Insulation Contractors II, LLC.

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Tentative Ruling:

Set deadline for plaintiff to file request for entry of default and motion for entry of default judgment. Continue status conference to coincide with hearing on default judgment motion.

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Patterson Builders, Inc.

Represented By
M. Jonathan Hayes
Matthew D. Resnik

Defendant(s):

Sierra Insulation Contractors II, LLC

Pro Se

Plaintiff(s):

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Asa S Hami

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Adv#: 2:23-01332 Howard M. Ehrenberg, solely in his capacity as Cha v. Vallee Electrical

#214.00 Status Conference re: 12 (Recovery of money/property - 547 preference)
Complaint by Howard M. Ehrenberg, solely in his capacity as Chapter 7 Trustee
against Vallee Electrical Services, Inc., a California corporation.

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Tentative Ruling:

Summons and complaint have not been served. Instruct plaintiff to obtain replacement summons and serve it in a timely manner. If plaintiff does not want defendant to have to answer complaint at this time in an effort to facilitate settlement negotiations, parties should stipulate to a sizeable extension of time for defendant to respond to complaint.

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Patterson Builders, Inc.

Represented By
M. Jonathan Hayes
Matthew D. Resnik

Defendant(s):

Vallee Electrical Services, Inc., a

Pro Se

Plaintiff(s):

Howard M. Ehrenberg, solely in his

Represented By
Steve Burnell
Asa S Hami

Trustee(s):

Howard M Ehrenberg (TR)

Represented By
Jeffrey L Sumpter

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Elissa Miller
Steve Burnell

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Chapter 7

Adv#: 2:23-01333 Howard M. Ehrenberg, solely in his capacity as Cha v. JPMorgan Chase

#215.00 Status Conference re: 12 (Recovery of money/property - 547 preference)), (13 (Recovery of money/property - 548 fraudulent transfer)) Complaint by Howard M. Ehrenberg, solely in his capacity as Chapter 7 Trustee against JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association.

Docket 1

Courtroom Deputy:

- NONE LISTED -

Tentative Ruling:

8/9/23 -- Court approved stipulation continuing deadline for defendant to respond to complaint to August 25, 2023.

Tentative Ruling for September 5, 2023:

Continue status conference approximately 90 days and order parties to complete a day of mediation prior to date of continued status conference.

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Patterson Builders, Inc.

Represented By
M. Jonathan Hayes
Matthew D. Resnik

Defendant(s):

JPMorgan Chase Bank, National

Pro Se

Plaintiff(s):

Howard M. Ehrenberg, solely in his

Represented By
Steve Burnell
Asa S Hami

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Trustee(s):

Howard M Ehrenberg (TR)

Represented By
Jeffrey L Sumpter
Elissa Miller
Steve Burnell

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Chapter 7

Adv#: 2:23-01334 Howard M. Ehrenberg, solely in his capacity as Cha v. Lafreniere, an

#216.00 Status Conference re: 13 (Recovery of money/property - 548 fraudulent transfer)
Complaint by Howard M. Ehrenberg, solely in his capacity as Chapter 7 Trustee
against Denny Lafreniere, an individual.

Docket 1

Courtroom Deputy:

- NONE LISTED -

Tentative Ruling:

Parties report that matter has been settled. Continue status conference
approximately 90 days to permit court to process settlement motion. What is
the structure of the proposed settlement?

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Patterson Builders, Inc.

Represented By
M. Jonathan Hayes
Matthew D. Resnik

Defendant(s):

Denny Lafreniere, an individual

Pro Se

Plaintiff(s):

Howard M. Ehrenberg, solely in his

Represented By
Steve Burnell
Asa S Hami

Trustee(s):

Howard M Ehrenberg (TR)

Represented By
Jeffrey L Sumpter
Elissa Miller
Steve Burnell

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Chapter 7

Adv#: 2:23-01335 Howard M. Ehrenberg, solely in his capacity as Cha v. Hamilton, Bridges &

#217.00 Status Conference re: 12 (Recovery of money/property - 547 preference)),(13 (Recovery of money/property - 548 fraudulent transfer)) Complaint by Howard M. Ehrenberg, solely in his capacity as Chapter 7 Trustee against Hamilton, Bridges & Banks, Inc., a Florida corporation.

Docket 1

Courtroom Deputy:

- NONE LISTED -

Tentative Ruling:

Set deadline for plaintiff to file request for entry of default and motion for entry of default judgment. Continue status conference to coincide with hearing on default judgment motion.

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Patterson Builders, Inc.

Represented By
M. Jonathan Hayes
Matthew D. Resnik

Defendant(s):

Hamilton, Bridges & Banks, Inc., a

Pro Se

Plaintiff(s):

Howard M. Ehrenberg, solely in his

Represented By
Steve Burnell
Asa S Hami

Trustee(s):

Howard M Ehrenberg (TR)

Represented By
Jeffrey L Sumpter
Elissa Miller
Steve Burnell

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Chapter 7

Adv#: 2:23-01336 Howard M. Ehrenberg, solely in his capacity as Cha v. Genard, Inc.

#218.00 Status Conference re: 13 (Recovery of money/property - 548 fraudulent transfer)
Complaint by Howard M. Ehrenberg, solely in his capacity as Chapter 7 Trustee
against Genard, Inc.

Docket 1

***** VACATED *** REASON: NOTICE OF VOLUNTARY DISMISSAL
FILED 8-1-23**

Courtroom Deputy:

- NONE LISTED -

Tentative Ruling:

Plaintiff has filed notice of dismissal. OFF CALENDAR. ACTION HAS BEEN
CLOSED.

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Patterson Builders, Inc.

Represented By
M. Jonathan Hayes
Matthew D. Resnik

Defendant(s):

Genard, Inc.

Pro Se

Plaintiff(s):

Howard M. Ehrenberg, solely in his

Represented By
Steve Burnell
Asa S Hami

Trustee(s):

Howard M Ehrenberg (TR)

Represented By
Jeffrey L Sumpter
Elissa Miller
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2:21-15371 Patterson Builders, Inc.

Chapter 7

Adv#: 2:23-01337 Howard M. Ehrenberg, solely in his capacity as Cha v. Ashton, an individual

#219.00 Status Conference re: 13 (Recovery of money/property - 548 fraudulent transfer)) Complaint by Howard M. Ehrenberg, solely in his capacity as Chapter 7 Trustee against Skip Ashton, an individual.

Docket 1

Courtroom Deputy:

- NONE LISTED -

Tentative Ruling:

Continue status conference approximately 90 days to give trustee an opportunity to locate defendant, obtain replacement summons and serve summons and complaint.

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Patterson Builders, Inc.

Represented By
M. Jonathan Hayes
Matthew D. Resnik

Defendant(s):

Skip Ashton, an individual

Pro Se

Plaintiff(s):

Howard M. Ehrenberg, solely in his

Represented By
Steve Burnell
Asa S Hami

Trustee(s):

Howard M Ehrenberg (TR)

Represented By
Jeffrey L Sumpter
Elissa Miller
Steve Burnell

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2:21-15371 Patterson Builders, Inc.

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Adv#: 2:23-01339 Howard M. Ehrenberg, solely in his capacity as Cha v. Patterson, an

#220.00 Status Conference re: 13 (Recovery of money/property - 548 fraudulent transfer)
Complaint by Howard M. Ehrenberg, solely in his capacity as Chapter 7 Trustee
against Steve Patterson, an individual.

Docket 1

Courtroom Deputy:

- NONE LISTED -

Tentative Ruling:

Set deadline for plaintiff to file request for entry of default and motion for entry of default judgment. Continue status conference to coincide with hearing on default judgment motion.

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Patterson Builders, Inc.

Represented By
M. Jonathan Hayes
Matthew D. Resnik

Defendant(s):

Steve Patterson, an individual

Pro Se

Plaintiff(s):

Howard M. Ehrenberg, solely in his

Represented By
Steve Burnell
Asa S Hami

Trustee(s):

Howard M Ehrenberg (TR)

Represented By
Jeffrey L Sumpter
Elissa Miller
Steve Burnell

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Chapter 7

Adv#: 2:23-01340 Howard M. Ehrenberg, solely in his capacity as Cha v. Lee & Stires, Inc., a

#221.00 Status Conference re: 12 (Recovery of money/property - 547 preference)
Complaint by Howard M. Ehrenberg, solely in his capacity as Chapter 7 Trustee
against Lee & Stires, Inc., a California corporation.

Docket 1

Courtroom Deputy:

- NONE LISTED -

Tentative Ruling:

Parties report that matter has been settled. Continue status conference approximately 90 days to permit court to process settlement motion. What is the structure of the proposed settlement?

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Patterson Builders, Inc.

Represented By
M. Jonathan Hayes
Matthew D. Resnik

Defendant(s):

Lee & Stires, Inc., a California

Pro Se

Plaintiff(s):

Howard M. Ehrenberg, solely in his

Represented By
Steve Burnell
Asa S Hami

Trustee(s):

Howard M Ehrenberg (TR)

Represented By
Jeffrey L Sumpter
Elissa Miller
Steve Burnell

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Adv#: 2:23-01341 Howard M. Ehrenberg, solely in his capacity as Cha v. Stumbaugh &

#222.00 Status Conference re: 13 (Recovery of money/property - 548 fraudulent transfer)
Complaint by Howard M. Ehrenberg, solely in his capacity as Chapter 7 Trustee
against Stumbaugh & Associates, Inc., a California corporation

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FILED 7-21-23**

Courtroom Deputy:

- NONE LISTED -

Tentative Ruling:

Plaintiff has filed notice of dismissal. OFF CALENDAR. ACTION HAS BEEN
CLOSED.

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Patterson Builders, Inc.

Represented By
M. Jonathan Hayes
Matthew D. Resnik

Defendant(s):

Stumbaugh & Associates, Inc., a

Pro Se

Plaintiff(s):

Howard M. Ehrenberg, solely in his

Represented By
Steve Burnell
Asa S Hami

Trustee(s):

Howard M Ehrenberg (TR)

Represented By
Jeffrey L Sumpter
Elissa Miller
Steve Burnell

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2:21-15371 Patterson Builders, Inc.

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Adv#: 2:23-01342 Howard M. Ehrenberg, solely in his capacity as Cha v. Wilson Consulting, a

#223.00 Status Conference re: 13 (Recovery of money/property - 548 fraudulent transfer)
Complaint by Howard M. Ehrenberg, solely in his capacity as Chapter 7 Trustee
against Wilson Consulting, a California corporation

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***** VACATED *** REASON: NOTICE OF VOLUNTARY DISMISSAL
FILED 7-21-23**

Courtroom Deputy:

- NONE LISTED -

Tentative Ruling:

Plaintiff has filed notice of dismissal. OFF CALENDAR. ACTION HAS BEEN
CLOSED.

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Patterson Builders, Inc.

Represented By
M. Jonathan Hayes
Matthew D. Resnik

Defendant(s):

Wilson Consulting, a California

Pro Se

Plaintiff(s):

Howard M. Ehrenberg, solely in his

Represented By
Steve Burnell
Asa S Hami

Trustee(s):

Howard M Ehrenberg (TR)

Represented By
Jeffrey L Sumpter
Elissa Miller
Steve Burnell

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2:21-17932 Soames Lane Trust

Chapter 11

Adv#: 2:22-01166 Soames Lane Trust et al v. Martinez Rivera et al

#224.00 Status Conference re: 02 (Other (e.g. other actions that would have been brought in state court if unrelated to bankruptcy) Complaint by Soames Lane Trust, Grover Henry Colin Nix IV against Carmen Martinez Rivera, Paul Loaiza

fr: 11-1-22; 11-8-22; 1-10-23' ; 3-14-23; 4-19-23; 6-13-23; 8-9-23

Docket 1

Courtroom Deputy:

ZoomGov Appearance by:

8/3/23 - Michael Berger

Tentative Ruling:

Continue hearing to November 8, 2022 at 2:00 p.m. to be heard concurrently with stipulation re settlement set for that date. OFF CALENDAR FOR NOVEMBER 1, 2022.

Tentative Ruling for November 8, 2022:

Continue status conference to give court an opportunity to process 9019 motion.

Tentative Ruling for January 10, 2023:

Revisit status of action after conclusion on hearing on matter no. 211.

Tentative Ruling for March 14, 2023:

At prior status conference, parties reported that no 9019 motion had been filed. Parties have prepared draft of settlement that has been sent out for signature. Once signatures have been obtained, a 9019 motion will be filed.

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There is still no 9019 motion on calendar. What is the status of this matter?
Where is the status report that the court instructed the parties to file by
February 28, 2023?

Final Ruling from March 14, 2023:

Debtor's counsel did not appear. Court continued status conference to April
19, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. Counsel for defendant in adversary proceeding will
serve and file a notice of continuance.

Tentative Ruling for April 19, 2023:

Docket does not reflect filing of a notice of continuance. Tentative ruling from
March 14, 2023 remains unchanged.

Tentative Ruling for June 13, 2023:

Revisit status of adversary proceeding after conclusion of hearing on matter
no. 50.

Final Ruling for June 13, 2023:

Continue status conference to August 9, 2023 at 11:00 a.m. as a holding date
to give time for settlement payment to be made and adversary proceeding to
be dismissed.

Tentative Ruling for August 9, 2023:

What, if any progress has been made with regard to this adversary proceeding since
June 13, 2023? Docket does not reflect filing of anything since that date. Has
payment been made or will that only happen after dismissal of the underlying
bankruptcy case? Are parties ready to dismiss this action or will that only happen
after payment is made? Hearing required.

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Final Ruling for August 9, 2023:

Continue status conference to September 5, 2023 at 2:00 p.m. Settlement payment should already have been made. Counsel for debtor reported (inaccurately) that settlement funds were already in his trust account. Parties are at an impasse. Debtor wants case dismissed first; creditor does not want case or adversary dismissed until settlement payment has been made. Court is not in a position to resolve this impasse. Continue hearing to give parties an opportunity to discuss how to move forward or for creditor to bring a motion to compel performance under approved settlement agreement.

Tentative Ruling for September 5, 2023:

What, if any, progress has been made since last status conference? Is debtor now prepared to perform under settlement agreement in accordance with its terms?
Hearing required.

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Soames Lane Trust

Represented By
Paul A Beck

Defendant(s):

Carmen Martinez Rivera

Pro Se

Paul Loaiza

Pro Se

Plaintiff(s):

Soames Lane Trust

Represented By
Paul A Beck

Grover Henry Colin Nix IV

Represented By
Paul A Beck

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#225.00 Scheduling and Case Management Conference in a Chapter 11 Case

fr. 12-8-21; 3-16-22; 4-20-22; 5-10-22; 6-21-22; 7-26-22; 11-30-22; 2-1-23;
6-7-23; 8-9-23

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Courtroom Deputy:

Tentative Ruling:

Tentative Ruling for December 8, 2021:

If debtor plans to sell property, why does debtor need to resolve lien disputes first? Couldn't debtor sell free and clear of liens promptly, with the liens to attach to the proceeds? Debtor has had the benefit of the automatic stay without making any payments on disputed liens for years. Debtor needs to move swiftly in this bankruptcy case.

Set bar date for filing of proofs of claim. Set deadline for debtor to file adversary proceeding(s) to resolve issues concerning validity of liens against property. Set deadline for debtor to hire broker to market property.

12/20/21 -- Court signed scheduling order setting following dates:

L/D to serve notice of bar date -- 12/20/21

Bar date -- 02/22/22

L/D for debtor to file adversary proceedings to resolve issues re validity of liens -- 03/07/22

L/D to file updated status report -- 03/08/22

Cont'd status conference -- 03/16/22 @ 11

3/11/22 -- Court granted motion extending debtor's deadline to commence adversary proceedings re validity of liens to April 18, 2022.

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Tentative Ruling for March 16, 2022:

Continue case status conference to April 20, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. to be heard concurrently with debtor's objection to Chase's claim. No new status report required. OFF CALENDAR FOR MARCH 16, 2022.

Tentative Ruling for April 20, 2022:

What, if anything, has transpired since the last status conference? How is the debtor progressing with regard to improvements on the property? When will the debtor be in a position to sell the property?

(Debtor filed financing motion on April 17, 2022 and set it for hearing on May 11, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.)

Tentative Ruling for May 10, 2022:

Court continued case status conference to this date as a holding date. Court extended deadline to commence action against Fast Solutions to May 16, 2022. Has counsel decided on a course of action as against Fast Solutions? Hearing required.

Tentative Ruling for June 21, 2022:

Continue hearing to July 26, 2022 at 2:00 p.m. to be heard concurrently with adversary proceeding against Fast Source. No new status report required. APPEARANCES WAIVED ON JUNE 21, 2022.

Tentative Ruling for July 26, 2022:

What has transpired since the last status conference? Have improvements to property been completed? If not, when will they have been completed? Discuss with debtor when it will be in a position to file plan.

Tentative Ruling for November 30, 2022:

Court granted relief from stay by order entered August 30, 2022. Debtor

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moved for reconsideration of that motion, but then withdrew (voluntarily dismissed) that motion.

Court waived requirement that a status report be filed, but what is now going on in this case? Does debtor anticipate that this case will remain in bankruptcy? Hearing required.

Final Ruling for November 30, 2022:

Continue case status conference to February 1, 2023. Debtor must file and serve updated status report not later than January 20, 2023.

Tentative Ruling for February 1, 2023:

Court has reviewed debtor's status report. At debtor's request, continue case status conference to June 7, 2023 at 11:00 a.m. Debtor should file updated status report (if case has not been dismissed by then) not later than May 26, 2023. APPEARANCES WAIVED ON FEBRUARY 1, 2023.

Tentative Ruling for June 7, 2023:

Court has reviewed debtor's status report. At debtor's request, continue case status conference to August 9, 2023 at 11:00 a.m. Debtor should file updated status report (if case has not been dismissed by then) not later than July 28, 2023. APPEARANCES WAIVED ON JUNE 7, 2023.

Tentative Ruling for August 9, 2023:

Once the settlement agreement with Fast Solutions has been finalized and executed, the debtor plans to file a 9019 motion. Court assumes that debtor wants this motion processed before the case is dismissed. Other than approval of the Fast Solutions compromise and preparation of the motion to dismiss itself, is there anything else that has to happen or that the debtor has to accomplish before it will be in a position to file its motion to dismiss this chapter 11 case?

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Tentative Ruling for September 5, 2023:

What, if any, progress has been made since last status conference? If no progress has been made, issue OSC why bankruptcy case should not be dismissed and any orders approving compromises under which the debtor has failed to perform should not be vacated.

Party Information

Debtor(s):

Soames Lane Trust

Represented By
Paul A Beck